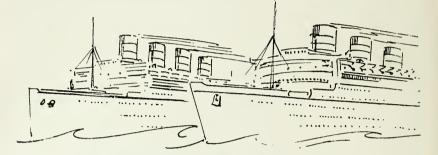


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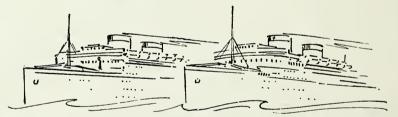
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For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God.

-Job 19: 25-26

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THIS WEEK'S COVER-

STATELY and beautiful—these two words describe the Cardston Temple which graces the STAR's frontpiece this week. It is one of the Church's most beautiful edifices in which work for the dead is carried on. (See page 2)

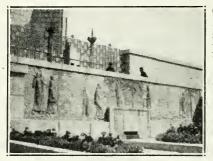
Growth Of The Church In Canada

By Elder C. FRANK STEELE

(Of The Herald, Lethbridge, Canada)

ATTER-DAY SAINTS in the British Isles and in Europe generally will be interested to learn of the rise and growth of the Church in the Dominion of Canada, that broad and vigorous link of the Empire lying to the west of the Motherland. It was out of the early missionary work in Toronto with its attendant conversion of such outstanding men as John Taylor, that the Gospel was introduced with such success in England. And strangely enough, and marvellously, too, that English-born convert, John Taylor, later became an apostle of the Church; a confidant of the Prophet Joseph Smith and the third president of the Church.

He it was who succeeded President Brigham Young and it was President Taylor who, under divine inspiration, directed



Sculptor Work on the Canadian Temple

that great colonizer, Charles Ora Card, to the fertile plains and foothills of western Canada to establish a gathering place for the saints. It was the intention of President Card to go to Mexico when he called at the president's office in Salt Lake City in the fall of 1886. He asked the counsel of the president — and the next day the call of authority came, a call not to a colonization mission to Mexico, but rather to Canada.

"You will find British justice there," said the venerable

President Taylor, and they did. On British soil in the southwestern part of Alberta three stakes of Zion today stand as a monument to the prophetic wisdom of President John Taylor and the courage, resourcefulness and unswerving devotion to duty of the late President Card, who, it should be added here, was the father of Sister Zina Card Brown, wife of President Brown of the British Mission, who was also the first president of the Lethbridge Stake in Canada.

Any great movement in the history of man revolves around a dominant personality. This was eminently true in the epic movement of the Church to the West under Brigham Young and the founding of the Mormon Commonwealth in Utah and adjacent states. It was true later in the founding of Mormon settlements in Canada under President Card, one of the notable colonizers of western America. He was the founder of Cardston, home of the Great White Temple, the only such edifice in the British Empire, and the leading spirit in the enterprise of a dozen other towns and communities in the southwestern part of the province. His life was marked by humility, foresight and industry. He was a man of energy, a loved spiritual adviser and counsellor, and shrewd in business. He enjoyed the love and confidence of leading men of the dominion and



Charles Ora Card

many distinguished Canadians, and members of the nobility, too, were entertained at the famous old Card home.

Born in New York State, November 5th, 1839, he early embraced the Gospel and at the age of 17 left with his parents in one of the first emigration trains to the far west. Arriving in Utah, the family settled at Farmington. When he was 21 he went to Cache Valley, northern Utah, building one of the first homes in what is now the lovely city of Logan. He was one of the prominent leaders of the church in Cache Valley, becoming president of the stake. He was holding that office when in 1886 he proceeded to Canada on a mission of exploration. The richness of the soil,

the seemingly limitless expanse of grass-clad plains and the accessibility of timber in the nearby Rocky Mountains, not to mention the abundance of water for irrigation, impressed him and he selected a site for settlement on Lee's Creek.

The following year he brought his family along with a party of forty others making up a covered wagon train. They were met at the boundary of Canada by the famous Mounted Police and welcomed. The officers assisted them to ford the swollen current of the St. Mary's river and otherwise befriended them. On June 5th, 1887, their first religious service was held, in a tent, and it was in that tent that a prophecy was made that a temple would be built at Cardston and the saints become a prosperous people in the land.

Although President Card died January 6th, 1906—he is buried at Logan—he lived to see towns and villages of the saints spring into existence, an irrigation system built, trees grow to dot large stretches of grain and hay lands, and his people become an influential part of the Canadian national life. In all his work he was loyally and nobly assisted by his wife, the cultured and beloved "Aunt" Zina Young Card, daughter of President Young and "Mother of the Canadian Colonies." She saw the House of the Lord rise in chaste grandeur almost within a stone's throw of the little log house that had sheltered her family that first winter on Canadian soil.

After fifty years of Mormon settlement in Canada, the Church stands as a permanent force in the nation and an integral part of the Church in the West. From these stakes have gone forth business leaders, cabinet ministers, professional men and educators, not to mention agriculturists who have (Continued on page 13)

Power Of God Unto Salvation

By ELDER MATTHIAS F. COWLEY

CONDENSED FROM A RECENT TABERNACLE ADDRESS

AM thankful that I have a testimony to bear concerning the divinity of the great work of the Gospel of Christ, and I am thankful for the recent great privilege I have had in bearing that testimony to thirteen of the countries of Europe, to every mission established in that great land. I am always glad in having the privilege of doing my part in connection with this great work, whether it be at home or abroad.

In dealing with a subject as great as the Gospel, we may as well start by calling attention to what the Gospel is, and I can do no better than to quote the language of the Apostle Paul: "For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ, for it is the



power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth"; and I will add to that, that those who believe truly will obey, because we are told in the scriptures that: "He that saith that he believeth in the Lord and his will, and doeth not his will, the same is not truthful."

I want to call your attention, on this occasion, to this statement or definition of the Apostle Paul, that the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation. I wish you to make note of his expression of the power of God, and that is as much as to say that where the power of God is not the Gospel is not.

We are told by the same apostle,

Elder Cowley

in the third chapter of 2nd Timothy: "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall

come.

"For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthinkful, unholy.

"Without natural affection, truce-breakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good.

"Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God."

I think we can bear testimony that we live in just such a me. And he added this; that men would have a form of time. godliness, but deny the power thereof; and such is the status of the world today. We are told that the gifts and power of the Holy Ghost were done away because they were no longer essential, and yet there is no passage in Holy Writ, from the first chapter or verse of Matthew to the last in the book of Revelation, to justify such an idea.

Paul says, you know, that "The letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life," and so, no matter how correct might be the theories of religion, or how correctly they might be understood by any people, unless they are attended by the power of the Holy Ghost, it is not the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. I wish to call your attention to a few examples and lessons to prove this:

You know our Lord and Saviour chose twelve apostles, and He laid His hands upon them and blessed them, and they enjoyed the great opportunity of being with their Lord in person for three years, and during this time they enjoyed the grand opportunity of being personal witnesses of what He said and did. They saw Him open the eyes of the blind and unstop the ears of the deaf, and loosen the tongue of the dumb, and even raise the dead; and three of them on one occasion enjoyed the great privilege of going with their Lord upon the Mount of Transfiguration, and beheld in vision Moses and Elias. They

The Author

FRIENDS and members of the Church in Great Britain and in Europe will intently read the accompanying article, adapted from a recent address given in the Salt Lake Tabernacle by Elder Matthias F. Cowley, because of their love and respect for him. Less than six months ago Elder Cowley at 80 years of age with unusual memory and wisdom preached the Gospel in thirteen countries of the European Mission. He has been a regular writer for the STAR the past year and a half, his Talks on Doctrine being an exclusive feature from week to week.

enjoyed such privileges as that, and yet, while the Saviour was with them, they lived on borrowed light: light which was not their own.

The Son of God did not presume to do the office work of the Holy Ghost, and if you will read in the epistle of St. John, you will find that He said:

"It is expedient that I go away, for if I go not away the Holy Ghost will not come unto you. But if I go away I will send unto you the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, which, when He comes, He will guide you into all truth. He will bring all things to your remem-

brance, whatsoever I have said unto you, and He will show you things to come."

In another place, in the sixteenth chapter of John, He makes the statement that the Holy Ghost would partake of the things of the Father. "He will guide you into all truth; for he shall not speak of himself, but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will show you things to come."

After all this grand experience, and having the person of the Saviour with them, they had His companionship for forty days after His resurrection, in which time He gave them many instructions. He sought to open more fully the eyes of their understanding because before His crucifixion they did not understand that He was to be crucified and rise again the third day, although He told them that.

Life's Masterpiece

By Elder John E. Gillespie, Jr.

THERE exists in any noteworthy art gallery an atmosphere somehow indefinable—an atmosphere doubtless arising from individual interpretation of the works exhibited. Upon entering such a museum we are immediately absorbed, passing from room to room and from piece to piece, in an entirely individual appraisal of each creation. From this appraisal assuredly comes the multiple reactions bringing forth a definite emotional response to the appraiser.

As we are engaged in judging the pictures to our own satisfaction we suddenly come to a work that makes us stop short, to stare with fascination. Whether or not the subject is pleasing or the reaction one of pleasantry or one of unpleasantry, it remains that the piece has produced the desired response

Elder Gillespie

ELDER GILLESPIE, a travelling missionary in Great Britain and at the present time a member of the Millennial Chorus, effectively points out in this article the value and beauty of a well-designed life. He indicates the blending similarity between man, the artist, and Jesus Christ, the Master Artist, the latter being perfect because of His complete observance of the irrevocable laws. Elder Gillespie is a graduate of the University of Utah where he excelled in the field of art. of the artist. Such a painting that fulfils the purpose sought for, that brings forth this emotional response fully, is indeed a masterpiece. "But why?" we ask. Why should this particular picture arouse any more emotion in our reaction than that picture or any other picture?

Perhaps the principle answer lies in a scrutiny of the artist, who in this case is a master artist. Such an artist works himself into the picture; his personality, his emotions, his diligence—all of these qualities show in the result. Watching such a

man at work we see that the first thing he undertakes to do is to carefully plan to the slightest detail the ingredients of his undertaking. It is a foolish and erroneous assumption on the part of some men that painting is an idler's pastime.

The first quality necessary in this master artist is absolute faith in himself. Faith that he has the ability and knowledge of his medium and tools to attempt a creation. He must also have faith in his method, undoubtedly given to him from some earlier master. Then he conceives of his idea—perhaps of his reaction to a certain circumstance or perhaps of his interpretation of a certain motive of life. After this, come hours of tedious research and planning before he ever begins the drafting of his subject. Sketches are made—not one, but many until such a time as the artist is satisfied with his composition and arrangement. Now he begins painting, starting with bold and firm strokes; with the attack of a man who knows his way. He does not daub superficially, but works in such a way that each and every stroke counts. Perhaps, as his subject begins to take shape, he sees that he has made a blunder, a mistake. Does he alter his drawing changing to envelope the mistake into the creation, or does he make complete rectification of the error? Naturally he must, if he is to keep to his artistic philosophy, eradicate the error and begin again. Quickly he wipes away the blunder with the solvent, turpentine. Once again he sets his mark for his objective. As the work goes on he begins to read life into the picture.

To accomplish the end product the artist as any other workman must obey certain definite and unalterable laws. For example, there is a law of nature dealing with colour. The law says that cool colours recede



Christ-The Master Artist

law says that cool colours recede and that warm colours advance. No matter how a man may try he cannot ignore this law in painting. So, our master artist, knowing the law, obeys it, and observes its requirements in the application of his colours. As the laws are obeyed one by one the composition comes to life. It becomes vital and lives now, apart from mere paint and charcoal.

Suddenly the finish comes. The inexplicable inspiration of the artist awakens in the creation. The response is full and vivid. A masterpiece is evolved.

Let us go into another great gallery. This gallery is found in every street, in every home, in every city, in every country, in every nation. This gallery is

greater even than our famous picture gallery. It is the world. Its exhibitions are the creatures of this world, of which man himself is foremost. Therefore is it not likely that some men are made masterpieces while others are products of waste and dissipation? The building of one's own life is indeed the construction of a masterpiece. A masterpiece of which the capstone is the Kingdom of God.

Man no more than the artist can sit down serenely in the sundown of life and expect to change from sinner to saint merely because he has happened to decide that he would like to be a saint.

We must have first, uttermost faith in our greatest teacher, Jesus Christ. And hand in hand with this faith we must have faith in ourselves embodying knowledge—an eternal search for knowledge. Having faith in control of knowledge we are now ready to start construction, using the material on hand to the best advantage in building a righteous life.

Perhaps, like the artist, we make a blunder, we stray from the plan set to follow. Our eternal Father has furnished us

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1939

EDITORIAL

The Church's Oldest Publication

T HE cover piece of this week's MILLENNIAL STAR reads "No. 1, Vol. 101." With this year the STAR commences publication of volume one hundred and one. Since the first issue May 27th, 1840, almost 99 years ago, the British Mission publication has been going forth spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Since its first editor, Parley P. Pratt, wrote the poem, "The Morning Breaks, The Shadows Flee," and placed it on the cover of the first issue, the Latter-day Saints' MILLENNIAL STAR has been shining forth throughout Great Britain.

Commencing at this early date, at which time the purpose and policy of the STAR was set forth, under the editorship of some of the Church's ablest hands, the publication has yearly been accomplishing its purpose of being the voice of the Church in Great Britain.

Shining Forth As A Star

THROUGH trials and oftimes mean opposition the STAR has come on down through the years to stand today as the Church's oldest publication still being circulated. It has successfully weathered the storms of prejudice throughout the years and is now unopposed even as a star in the heavens shining unceasingly and offering its light to all, friend and foe alike.

As years have come and gone the STAR has adhered to the policy as set forth by its first editor, who stated in his prospectus: "In our style we shall endeavour to be plain and simple, as our principles are designed for the benefit of all classes of society. In short, we hope by the aid and assistance of the Spirit of God, to comfort the mourner—to bind up the broken hearted—to preach the Gospel to the poor—to bring glad tidings to the meek; and 'that those who have erred in spirit may come to understanding, and those who have murmured may learn'."

The Star Policy Remains Unchanged

THE STAR appeared first at monthly intervals, later it was circulated every two weeks and in 1852, it became a weekly publication and has remained so ever since. From the

first volume the size of the pages has been the same as those in the initial issue, and the name plate has remained unchanged throughout the one hundred preceding volumes. The style and makeup of the STAR have changed with the times, but the purpose and policies of the Saints' weekly will remain the same always. It will ever be an aid and consolation to Church members and a source of guidance and benefit to all classes of society.

The Hope Of The Editors

THE present editors can hope to do no more while the MILLEN-NIAL STAR is under their guidance, than to continue to publish it in the same spirit which has always characterized it a spirit of meekness yet fearlessness. The desire of those working with the STAR is that through the weekly material it presents untold thousands will yet be guided by its light, and that it will continue to be an effective instrument in the promulgation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in Britain.

A New Condensed Article Feature

DURING the year the editorial staff hopes to add new features and present its material in the most interesting manner possible. A wider variety of illustrations and makeup will be noticeable, a greater array of authors will prepare articles and testimonials and more space will be devoted to activities of the various branches and districts of the mission. As a new feature beginning with this issue the STAR will print condensed articles and stories from the various Church publications throughout the world.

Each week the editorial staff will gather outstanding articles which are periodically being published in various Church organs, and will condense them and present them to members and friends throughout the British Isles. This system of journalistic digestion will give readers the very elite in Church literature. With this array of articles to chose from and with the large group of regular STAR writers the MILLENNIAL STAR expects to give readers the very best in Church features and doctrines.

The Staff Offers Thanks

A^S the STAR goes into volume one hundred and one, we wish to pause at this time and issue thanks to those concerns and individuals which help to make the STAR what it is. To all contributors, subscribers and readers, who play important parts in the success of the publication, we feel to express our appreciation. To Ludo Press, the STAR's printers, who each week print and assemble the weekly, we offer acknowledgements and thanks for their unceasing co-operation.

During 1939 the STAR hopes to continue through the instrumentality of the Spirit of God to be an aid and assistance in the glorious work. With faith in the future and in the people of Great Britain the "standard bearer" of Church literature will carry on.—MARVIN J. ASHTON

More Than Idle Waiting

By ELDER CARL F. EYRING

(President of the New England Mission)

CONDENSED FROM THE LIAHONA

TODAY many persons are asking: "When will wars pass away?" "When will quarrelling cease?" "When will men treat neighbours as themselves?" "When will the blessed state of Christ's millennial reign come to pass?"

The answer, too often born of an attitude of defeat, is likely to be: "Not until the Saviour comes! Not until the second coming! Nothing we can do but wait for His coming!

Surely the watching for the coming of the Lord is to be more than idle waiting. Our lamps must be trimmed and the supply of oil must be adequate—we must be prepared. We should not be expecting as we work that His coming will be delayed and falling victims to *procrastination*, nor hoping that His coming will be speeded up as we *lose courage* to go forward with the difficult tasks which we think the Lord is bound soon to do with miraculous power.

As members of the Church of Jesus Christ, we have the grave responsibility of establishing a nucleus of persons ready for the coming of the Lord. Before He comes in person He must come in spirit in the lives of many; otherwise He would not find members fit for His kingdom, members with a Christ-like character.

There may be little which a person may do in terms of world problems, but still there is a great deal which he may do in his own life, the life of the family, and the life of his community. He may diligently seek self-improvement in mind, in emotions, and in physical body, thus preparing himself better to serve his family, his neighbours, his community, and his nation. Thus the oil in his lamp is replenished, the wick is trimmed, and the light burns brightly, even though it be of low candle power. To such a person life will be so full of joy and happiness that he will not be concerned with the time of the coming, because he knows that he is prepared for any emergency.

You or I, single handed, will not find it possible to bring peace to the world, but each can bring peace to his own habitation. With a sufficient number of such homes a peaceful community takes form; with a sufficient number of such communities a peaceful country is born; and with sufficient number of such countries a peaceful world will be ready for the Lord and Master whose right it is to reign.

Therefore, instead of *idly waiting* let us be about our Father's business. Let us help to build a heaven on earth, a kingdom worthy of our Lord. In such a kingdom men will be treated as persons rather than as animals or machines; service will be rendered rather than required; justice given rather than de manded; obedience extended rather than enforced; gifts offered rather than extracted—in short, love, not might, will reign on the earth.

What Authorities Say Of Liquor And Tobacco

Compiled by Elder Marvin J. Ashton

(With acknowledgments to the Temperance Council of Christian Churches)

"I CAN desire nothing better for this great country than that a barrier high as heaven should be raised between the unpolluted lips of the children and the intoxicating cup, that everywhere men and women should raise strong determined hands against whatever will defile the body, pollute the mind or harden the heart against God and His truth."—J. B. Gough

"L^{IQUOR} might have defenders, but it has no defence. Whether or not the world would be vastly benefitted by a total and final banishment from it of all intoxicating drinks, seems to me not an open question."—Abraham Lincoln

WALTER LINDRUM, a world's champion billiard performer, says: "I do not smoke or drink. In our profession, to become a great player, you must be a strict teetotaller."

H.M. KING GEORGE VI has intimated that the loyal toast may be honoured with equal acceptance in water or other non-alcoholic beverage.

"THE only use I have for alcohol is for rubbing my body before I run. I have never used nor do I intend to use alcoholic beverages."—Jesse Owens, holder of world's record for running 100 yards, 200 yards and the long jump.

COMMANDER STEPHEN KING HALL, noted novelist, playwright and expert on international affairs, emphatically states: "I have been a teetotaller all my life and am sufficiently satisfied with the results to determine to remain one for the rest of my days."

L EN HUTTON, world's record cricket batsman, says: "To win the best in life one must value one's mind and body as they would value a brand new bat. I strongly advise young people to be teetotal and play with a straight bat, not only in cricket, but in whatever walk of life they are concerned."

The True Story Of A Pioneer Boy By Celia A. Van Cott

CONDENSED FROM THE CHILDREN'S FRIEND

LBERT looked at the sun. It was nearing the middle of the sky, a relentless, blazing ball of heat that had been growing steadily hotter since early morning.

Early that morning his mother with his tiny brothers and sisters had driven away in the light buckboard wagon to attend the Sunday services at Ephraim about three miles away, leaving her two older children, Albert, ten, and Jessica, eight years of age, to herd the cows from the young lucerne patch and to watch the pigs, keeping them in the pasture away from the crop of heading grain.

Two years before, President Brigham Young had called Albert's father to fulfil a mission for the Church, sending him across the deep blue ocean to the British Isles. With the help of her tiny children, his mother had farmed and chored, working hard to support her family and to keep his father there.

Albert wished he were a man, so he could go away like father in a big ship across the vast blue water to tell all the people there about the lovely stories he had heard and read of Jesus of Nazareth and the Prophet Joseph Smith.

All morning he had played girl's games with Jessica, and now she was complaining about being hungry.

Albert peered once more at the sun. He jumped to his feet and ran around the pigs, counting them twice to be sure all were there, then taking sister's hand, they left the field, crossed the barn-yard, and entered the two-room log cabin home.

Both children sat down to the table, and Albert was reaching for a slice of bread, when Jessica uttered a low, startling cry.

Albert looked up quickly at the window where her frightened gaze was rivetted. There he saw the hideous faces of two Indians pressed close against the panes, looking at them.

Albert's blood seemed to freeze in his veins, but only for a minute. The frightened boy sprang to his feet, ran to the door and bolted it securely. Then grabbing his sister's hand, he pushed her under the bed, crawling close beside her to the farthest corner near the wall.

He listened closely and heard the Indians try the door and rattle the windows. There was a terrible disturbance. The dog barked furiously for a while and then was still.

It seemed hours to Albert before the noise and commotion died down. At last, he ventured out and cautiously tiptoed to the window. The prowling Indians had gone.

Taking Jessica, he quietly opened the door, then fairly flew up the road, never stopping until they had reached the home of their nearest neighbour one mile away. They plunged through the door, and quickly bolted it. No one was at home. The children climbed between two feather ticks where they lay motionless and still. At sundown when Albert's mother returned, she found her watch dog dead, her children gone, and part of her winter's supply of food stolen.

In a nervous panic, she quickly drove over the same road the children had travelled a few hours before to the neighbour's home, where she found her darlings quite safe after an eventful Sabbath day.

GROWTH OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA

(Continued from page 3)

gained distinction far afield. The Mormons introduced irrigation into western Canada and also the beet sugar industry. They pioneered the ranching industry and at the head of the powerful Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers association is a Mormon, Christian Jensen, formerly of Utah. The Temple, in some respects the most beautiful in the Church, has been visited by many celebrities including Lord Willingdon, the Earl of Bessborough and Baron Tweedsmuir, present Governor-General of Canada.

The Canadian Mission with headquarters in Toronto has as its president, Bishop David A. Smith, and a beautiful chapel accommodates the Church in Toronto. Thriving branches exist in Ottawa, Hamilton and other cities. British Columbia is part of the Northwestern States' Mission and Saskatchewan and Manitoba are in the North Central States' Mission.

Thus the work of the Lord is growing in Canada, the Church Welfare Programme at the present time engaging the cooperative attention of the people and winning for the Church increased recognition and goodwill among Christian people everywhere. In the faith of their pioneer fathers the saints face the second half century holding aloft their colours and contributing to that great forward movement felt by the Church of God in every land.

Which Branch Will Win ? RANCH Building Fund Contest funds should be mailed to the mission secretary, Fred H. Thompson, immediately to ensure their arrival at the office before the deadline date of January 15th. The present standing of the various branches indicates that the prize winners are far from being certain. Last minute deposits WAR are expected to make the inter-branch competition greater than ever. It is deemed advisable at this time, however, to announce that contributions sent in later than January 15th, will not be considered in this year's contest. Therefore all branch funds should be posted promptly. Which branch will win the £5 first prize or the £3 second place or £2 third prize to be donated by Dr. Ray M. Russell? The competition is sponsored annually by the M.I.A. of the British Mission, and this year looms as one of the most active inter-branch contests.

POWER OF GOD UNTO SALVATION

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Even after Christ had been with them for three years, and afterwards for forty days, I want to call your attention to the fact that the apostles were not yet qualified to preach the gospel, because they did not have within their own souls the spirit and power of God, the gift of the Holy Ghost. At the conclusion of His ministry with them, as we read in the twentyfourth chapter of Luke, He said unto them that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem; but He said unto them: "But tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high."

So notwithstanding all of that experience that they had and that experience was essential, that they might be personal witnesses of what they had heard the Saviour say and what they had seen Him do—yet of themselves they were not qualified to preach the gospel, because they had not within themselves the gift and power of the Holy Ghost, and without that there is no gospel and no power of God unto salvation.

They tarried at Jerusalem and the Holy Ghost descended upon them according to His promise, and they spake as by cloven tongues of fire, and the congregation becoming convinced by the power of God that Jesus was the Christ, cried out: "Men and brethren, what shall we do?"

The Apostle Peter answered them, enunciating to them what constituted the Gospel of Christ more in detail, and he answered and said unto them, seeing that they had faith in God and in the atonement of the Saviour, the first Gospel principle: "Repent and be baptized every one of you, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost, for the promise is unto you and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call," making it plain, beyond the shadow of a doubt, if we believe the Scriptures, that whosoever is authorized to call men to repentance, and is endowed with authority from God and can speak by the gift and power of the Holy Ghost, that he is authorized and qualified to promise unto the people the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Now, this was the Gospel of Christ, and these were the principles: Faith in God and in the atonement of Christ, and true repentance from all sin, and baptism by immersion for the remission of sin, and the laying on of hands for the gift of the Holy Ghost. That is the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and that is the power of God unto salvation. Our Eternal Father and His Son Jesus Christ are so just and so love their children that they are no respecters of persons, so that the testimony of the Holy Ghost, and a personal conviction of the truth and the gifts and powers of the Holy Spirit, are not confined to any man or to any set of men, but they are universally distributed among the people of God, whenever there is a people of God upon the face of the earth.

LIFE'S MASTERPIECE

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with the turpentine to use in this case. It is the solvent of Repentance. It is the solvent which erases our erring ways and starts us again on the right path. Our knowledge will act as a compass to tell us wherein we have failed to measure up and when to use the God-given gift of repentance. And insofar as we obey God's laws we will advance toward our goal --- the Kingdom of God.

One of the laws as irrevocable as the artist's law that green is recessive and red is dominant, is the law of baptism; an ordinance given to man to ascertain his obedience, an ordinance which has no alternative.

Having faith, having repented of our transgressions, having courage to obey the law of baptism; then our masterpiece of life nears completion. Here the influence of God is seen. He is pleased with the way we have moulded our lives. And to show His pleasure He rewards with the gift of the Holy Ghost -that wondrous gift that climaxes our achievement of life. Through His servants holding the authority, the gift of the Holy Ghost is given to those who have built their lives to that point of perfection worthy to house such a gift. It is now that our masterpiece is ready for the capstone, entrance into the Kingdom of God.

Much as the artist's masterpiece gave the desired response to onlookers, our lives, greater by far than a masterpiece on canvas, will give the desired response—that response which shows eternal obedience to the kind and just will of our Father in Heaven.

The Miracle Of Salt Lake"

"HE new "short" "The Miracle of Salt Lake" recently put out by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer has been showing before capacity throngs during the holidays at the



Temple Square

Empire, one of London's largest and most popular cinema houses. The picture is most favourable in its portraying of early Church history, showing persecu-tions, the exodus to the west led by Brigham Young and the cricket plague climaxed by the deliverance by the seagulls. Thousands and thousands of people have witnessed the film in which Mormonism is spoken of very highly. In one place it refers to Mormonism as being a one-time persecuted and hated sect, but today it stands as a mighty Christian denomination. Cinema goers throughout Britain will see the feature when it is generally released in March and April.

From the Mission Field

Doings in the Districts-

LEEDS-During the afternoon of Saturday, December 10th, a Sunday School Christmas party was held in Leeds Branch Hall, with Brother Fred Laycock in charge. A number of prizes were presented during the afternoon. In the evening of the same day a social in aid of the Sunday School funds was held, with a beetle drive and various musical numbers being the main programme events. Refreshments were served by the sisters of the branch.

A birthday anniversary party honouring Sister Ivy Mence was held in Leeds Branch Hall on Monday, December 12th, with the Relief Society in charge. An evening of games was followed by a fish and chip supper. Sister Florie Butterfield directed the activities.

LONDON-Recently an M.I.A. party was held in St. Albans Branch Hall, with Sister Elsie K. Osborn conducting the programme. Sister Mary κ . Osborn gave a vocal solo, Branch President William J. Jolliffe sang several comic songs, and another musical item was given by Brother Ernest G. Osborn. During the evening a leather dressing-case was presented to Elder Max H. Duffin as a gift of appreciation for his labours in the branch. Elder Duffin conducted the games and refreshments were served by Sisters Elsie K. Osborn and Irene Gillings.

A Relief Society Bazaar was held by St. Albans Branch on Monday, December 12th, with Sister Ada A. Webb presiding and Sister Kate M. Osborn conducting. A duet was sung by Sisters Elsie K. and Wini-fred A. Osborn and Sister Gladys M. Osborn gave an accordion solo.

NOTTINGHAM - The Nottingham Branch Sunday School Christmas party was held on Saturday, December 10th, under the direction of the superintendency, Brothers Harry Hall and Sydney Robinson and Sister Dorothy Robinson. The programme consisted of musical and elocutional items, and a two-act play by the costumed Sunday School children. Sister Dorothy

Robinson made all arrangements. The building fund committee of Nottingham Branch sponsored a party in honour of Brother Arthur winter of Salt Lake City, Utah, a tormer member of Nottingham Branch who recently contributed money to the Nottingham Building fund, which has put them in the lead for the offered prize. Sister Edith Shepherd, who was in charge of the programme, gave readings, a piano solo was given by Elder Robert G. Hodson, Elder Mark Hammond sang a solo, and the group participated in several Christmas carols. Games were played and refreshments served. Proceeds were for the branch building fund.

A Primary party was held recently in Mansfield Branch Hall under the direction of Sister May Cook and Sister Minnie Wilson. A programme was given by the children, which was followed by games, awarding of prizes and refreshments.

WELSH—The annual Gold and Green Ball of the Merthyr Tydfil Branch M.I.A. was held on Thurs-day, December 8th, in the drill hall. The hall was beautifully decorated and serpentine, paper hats and balloons were given to the approximately 150 people in attendance. The Relief Society Sisters were in charge of the refreshments. Following intermission, Miss Mae Griffiths was presented with a crown and a box of chocolates as queen of the ball, by Branch President Walter E. Pulman, and many spot prizes were given to the dancers during the evening. Supervising Elder Ranold H. Hebdon, Elder Ivan V. Miller and Sister Florence Pulman were in charge of the ball.

DEATH

79, of Merthyr Tydfil Branch, died on Wednesday, December 15th. Short services were held in the

FRYZER-Sister Mary W. Fryzer, home on Saturday, December 18th, conducted by Supervising Elder Ranold H. Hebdon. Elder Ivan V. Miller dedicated the grave.

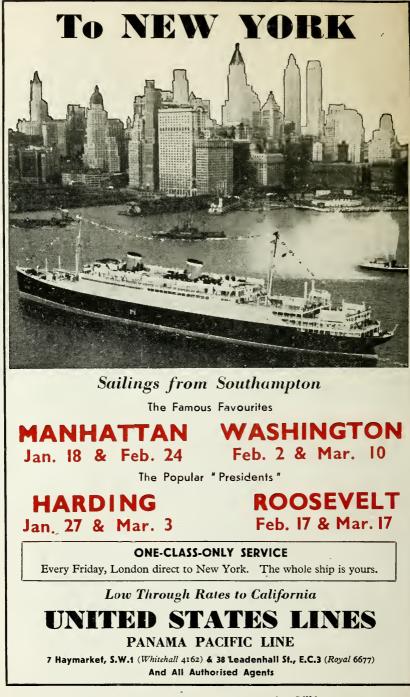
LATTER-DAY SAINT MEETING PLACES IN BRITAIN

(All meetings begin at 6.30 Sunday evenings unless otherwise indicated.)

Aberdeen: Corn Exchange, Hadden Street, Off Market Street. Accrington *L. D. S. Hall, Over 9, Church St. Airdrie: tL. D. S. Hall, 40, Hallcraig Street. **Barnsley**: Arcade Buildings. Batley: *L. D. S. Hall, Purwell Lane. Belfast: Arcade Buildings, 122, Upper North St. Birmingham: L. D. S. Chapel, 23, Booth Street. Handsworth. Council Schools, Stratford Road, Sparkbrook. Blackburn: L. D. S. Hall, Saving Bank Chambers, Lord Street, West. Bolton: Corporation Chambers. Bradford: L. D. S. Chapel, Woodlands Street, Off City Road. Brighton: 105, Queen's Road. Bristol: L.D. S. Hall, Zion Rd., off Clarence Road. Burnley: §L. D. S. Chapel, 1, Liverpool Road. Rosegrove. Carlisle: L. D. S. Hall, Scotch Street. Cheltenham-Stroud: Theosophical Hall, St. Margaret's Ter., Off North Place, Cheltenham. Clayton: *Central Hall. Derby: Unity Hall. Doncaster. *L. D. S. Hall. Trafford Street. Dublin: IL. D. S. Hall. 8. Merrion Row. Eastwood: Library, Church St. Edinburgh: Ruskin House, 15. Windsor Street. Gainsborough *L. D. S. Hall, Curtis Yard. §-6.15 p.m.

Gateshead: Westfield Hall, Westfield Terrace. Glasgow: L. D. S. Hall, 4, Nelson Street. Gravesend: Freeborn Hall, Peacock Street. Great Yarmouth: L.D.S. Hall, 33a, Regent Street. Grimsby: Thrift Hall, Pasture Street. Halifax: *L. D. S. Hall, 35, Brinton Terrace, Off Hansen Lane. Hucknall: *Byron Buildings. Hull: L. D. S. Chapel, Wellington Lane, and Berkeley Street. Hyde: L. D. S. Hall, Reynolds Street. Kidderminster: L. D. S. Chapel, Park Street. Leeds: *L. D. S. Hall, 5, Westfield Road. Leicester All Saints' Open, Great Central Street. Letchworth Vasanta Hall, Gernon Walk. Liverpool: L. D. S. Chapel, 301, Edge Lane. London: L. D. S. Chapel 59, Clissold Rd., N.16. Ravenslea Chapel, 149, Nightingale Lane S.W.12. Downham Fellowship Club, between 29 & 30. Arcus Rd., off Glenbow Rd., Catford. Ivy Hall, Wellesley Road. Gunnersbury, W.4. Loughborough: Adult School. Lowestoft: L. D. S. Hall, 20, Clapham Road. Luton: Dallow Road Hall. Corner of Dallow and Naseby Roads. Mansfield: 39a, Albert Street. Manchester L. D. S. Hall, 88, Clarendon Road. C. on M. *---6.00 p.m +-7.00 p.m.

Merthyr Tydfil: L. D. S. Chapel, Penyard Road. Middlesbrough: L.D.S. Hall, 188, Linthorpe Road. Nelson: *L.D.S. Hall 10, Hibson Road. Northampton: *L. D. S. Chapel, 89, St. Michael's Road. Nottingham. L. D. S. Hall, 8, Southwell Road. Norwich: L. D. S. Chapel, 60, Park Lane. Nuneaton: Masonic Hall. Oldham: L. D. S. Hall, Neville Street. Plymouth: L. D. S. Hall, 34, Park Street, Tavistock Road. Pontllanfraith: Enquire: 81, Brynteg Street. Preston, Lancs: L. D. S. Hall, 7, Lords Walk, Off North Road Rawmarsh L. D. S. Hall, Main Street. Rochdale: L. D. S. Chapel, Lower Sheriff St. Sheffield: L. D. S. Chapel, Corner of Ellesmere and Lyons Roads. Shildon: *L.D.S. Hall, 100, Main Street. Skelton: Liberal Association Hall, 13a, Queen's Street, Redcar-on-Sea South Shields: L. D. S. Chapel, 98, Fowler Street. St. Albans: 49, Spencer Street. Sunderland: L. D. S. Chapel, 18, Tunstall Road. Tipton, Wolverhampton L. D. S. Hall, Washington Building, Berry Street. Varteg: Memorial Hall. West Hartlepool: L. D. S. Chapel, 7, Osborne Road. Wigan: *L and Y Station t-2.30 p.m.



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